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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Claim 1 (currently amended): An image forming apparatus having including a first image forming unit with a first movable printing head that travels over a printing medium to form a first image and a second image forming unit with a second movable printing head that travels over the printing medium to form a second image, the first and second image forming units forming images by different methods on a single page of the printing medium, wherein the second image forming unit forms an identifying image and the first image forming unit forms an image is at least partly different from the identifying image.

Claim 2 (original): The image forming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the identifying image identifies an original image to distinguish the original image from copies thereof.

Claim 3 (canceled)

Claim 4 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim [[1]] 26, wherein one of the first image forming unit and the second image forming unit[[has]] includes an impact mechanism for forming images on multiple-ply pressure-sensitive media.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim [[1]] 26, wherein at least one of the first image forming unit and the second image forming unit forms an image differing differs in color from background parts of the page.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim 5, wherein the first image forming unit and the second image forming unit both form images differing differ in color from background parts of the page, the first image forming unit using a first coloring agent, the second image forming unit using a second coloring agent different from the first coloring agent.

Claim 7 (original): The image forming apparatus of claim 6, wherein the first coloring agent is a toner agent and the second coloring agent is an ink agent.

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Claim 8 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim [[1]] 23, wherein at least one of the first image forming unit and the second image forming unit[[has]] includes a mechanism that deforms the page.

Claim 9 (original): The image forming apparatus of claim 8, wherein said mechanism is an impact mechanism for striking the page.

Claims 10—11 (canceled)

Claim 12 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim [[8]] 27, wherein said mechanism is a punching mechanism for punching holes in the page.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the first image forming unit is an ink jet printing unit and the second image forming unit is an impact printing unit.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim [[1]] 26, wherein the first image forming unit is an electrophotographic printing unit.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The image forming apparatus of claim [[1]] 26, wherein the second image forming unit is a serial impact dot matrix printing unit.

Claims 16—19 (canceled)

Claim 20 (new): The image forming apparatus of claim 13, also including means for transporting the printing medium from the first image forming unit to the second image forming unit, the first image being formed before the second image.

Claim 21 (new): The image forming apparatus of claim 13, also including a roller for feeding the printing medium toward the first image forming unit and the second image forming

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unit, wherein the first and second printing units position the first image and the second image according to rotation of the roller.

Claim 22 (new): The image forming apparatus of claim 21, also including:  
a first sensor disposed between the first printing unit and the roller, for sensing the printing medium; and  
a second sensor disposed between the first printing unit and the second printing unit, for sensing the printing medium; wherein  
the first printing unit positions the first image according to the rotation of the roller following sensing of the printing medium by the first sensor; and  
the second printing unit positions the second image according to the rotation of the roller following sensing of the printing medium by the second sensor.

Claim 23 (new): The image forming apparatus of claim 13, wherein the first image overlaps the second image.

Claim 24 (new): The image forming apparatus of claim 8, wherein the second printing unit embosses the printing medium.

Claim 25 (new): The image forming apparatus of claim 23, also including a data receiving unit for receiving print data with attached selection information and sending the print data to the first printing unit, the second printing unit, or the first and second printing units according to the selection information.

Claim 26 (new): An image forming apparatus comprising:  
a first printing unit for transporting a printing medium and, while transporting the printing medium, forming a first image on the printing medium and fusing the first image onto the printing medium;

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a second printing unit for forming a second image on the printing medium while the first printing unit is forming the first image, transport of a part of the printing medium on which the second image is formed being halted while the second image is being formed;

a slack forming unit disposed between the first printing unit and the second printing unit, for forming slack in the printing medium, the slack forming unit including a first roller that transports the printing medium and a second roller,

disposed between the first roller and the second printing unit, that turns to reduce the slack and stops turning to increase the slack.

**Claim 27 (new):** The image forming apparatus of claim 26, wherein at least one of the first image forming unit and the second image forming unit includes a mechanism that deforms the page.

**Claim 28 (new):** The image forming apparatus of claim 27, wherein said mechanism is an impact mechanism for striking the page.

**Claim 29 (new):** The image forming apparatus of claim 28, wherein the first image forming unit and the second image forming unit form images on mutually reverse sides of the page.

**Claim 30 (new):** The image forming apparatus of claim 28, wherein the page includes a first side and a second side, the first image forming unit forms an image on the first side of the page, the image formed by the first image forming unit differing in color from background parts of the first side of the page, and the second image forming unit forms an image on the first side of the page by striking the second side of the page.

**Claim 31 (new):** The image forming apparatus of claim 27, wherein said mechanism is a punching mechanism for punching holes in the page.